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Dept of Public Works

Karen,

Thanks for taking the time to explain the current plans for the proposed Waukesha West bypass road project with me on Friday. The plans as proposed seem well thought out and pose the least possible impact on the area residents.

Part of our conversation dealt with a possible highway alignment for the project that ran along the existing Merrill Hills Road and through the easterly edge of the Legend at Merrill Hills golf course. This alignment was dropped from consideration based on the costs to construct the alignment, impacts to the adjacent homes and impacts to the Legend at Merrill Hills property. You explained Waukesha County recently received input from a Federal Agency who asked if the property was for sale. They asked Waukesha County to investigate the Merrill Hills Road option again in light of their understanding that the property was potentially for sale.

I am the sole shareholder in The Legend at Merrill Hills LLC who purchased the Merrill Hills Country Club in June of 2013. This was a long term investment strategy which directly affects the business models for two other area country clubs (The Legend at Brandybrook & The Legend at Bristlecone) that I co-own. The MHCC purchase assumed a hefty negative cash position liability and several million dollars in capital improvements have been made to the property over the past two years all based on the assumption and assurances that the Waukesha West bypass was planned for a different route.

I have no interest in selling The Legend at Merrill Hills as closing that facility would cause irreparable harm to my membership and business interests at The Legend at Merrill Hills and the other Legend Clubs. Any discussion of a sale would have to address the related membership and business impacts to The Legend at Merrill Hills, The Legend at Brandybrook and The Legend at Bristlecone.

I would strongly oppose any change in the proposed Waukesha West bypass expansion that would align the project alongside or through any part of The Legend at Merrill Hills property. I have no interest in selling The Legend at Merrill Hills.

Sincerely,

Jack Gaudion

Owner

The Legend at Merrill Hills

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